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## \$300,000 For Hana

PURCHASED BY A. GARTENBERG, TRUSTEE, REPRESENTING M. S. GRINBAUM AND THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH HIM—THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY WILL BE REORGANIZED AT ONCE AND THE PLANTATION WILL GO ON—THE VALUE FIXED.

On the single bid of \$300,000 the property of the Hana Plantation Company was sold by auction today to A. Gartenberg, trustee. It is generally understood that M. S. Grinbaum and those interested with him are the real purchasers.

The property was put up in two lots, the first including all of the Hana property and equipment, complete, which was sold as above detailed and the second lot being sixteen leases some of which have yet some time to run and some of which are not paid up. The whole lot was knocked down to James Laird for \$10.

There was a very small crowd at the Judiciary building entrance when Auctioneer Morgan took the stand and acting for Commissioner Simonton read over the conditions of the sale. By consent the decree of foreclosure granted by Judge Robinson on December 3 at the instance of the mortgagees, Sig Greenbaum and Charles Altschul, was waived. The full description of the property in its every detail having been read over bids were asked and Gartenberg at once offered \$300,000. The eloquence of the auctioneer was of the perfunctory order as is usual in such sales, and the hammer fell without any further offers. The leases being put up, they were promptly knocked down for \$10 and that ended the sale.

M. S. Grinbaum, A. Gartenberg, Henry Holmes and Judge Stanley walked away together.

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).  
TOGO WITHDRAWING.

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—Admiral Togo is withdrawing his vessels from the vicinity of Port Arthur as the Japanese batteries on the surrounding mountains are reaching the Russian battleship Sevastopol and expect to destroy her soon.

SITUATION CRITICAL IN SAMAR.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 24.—General Corbin has cabled the War Department that the situation in the district of Samar where some native scouts were ambushed this week, is critical.

RUSSIA INAUGURATING ANOTHER REFORM.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—Russia is preparing to abolish the passport system.

LONDON BEETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—The London price of 88 analysis beets this day is 14 shillings, 11-2 pence. The last previous quotation was December 22, 14 shillings.

FRENCH CRUISER PROTET HERE.

The French cruiser Protet arrived this morning from Papeete after an uneventful voyage. The vessel is en route to San Francisco. Captain Adgard is still in command of the vessel. She has been in the South Seas since the early part of this year. She has been the station ship at Tahiti for the French government and is making a cruise to San Francisco. The vessel anchored in the stream and fired a salute after she was moored, to which the guns at the naval station replied. She will remain here for six days. Coal will be taken next week. A reception may be given aboard the vessel tomorrow.

Relief After Six Years—Mrs. M. A. Clark, of Timberrange, N. S. W., Australia, writes: "I wish to inform you of the wonderful benefit I have received from your valuable medicine. I suffered from a severe cough for six years and obtained no relief until I took Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. One bottle cured me and I am thankful to say that I have never had the cough since. Make any use of this letter that you like for the good of any other poor sufferers." For sale by all dealers, Benson Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.

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## China Laid To For Fear Of The Mines

PACIFIC MAIL LINER HAD TO WAIT 16 HOURS IN YOKOHAMA BAY BEFORE SAILING AS NO NAVAL VESSEL WOULD PILOT HER OUT—MET HEAVY WEATHER COMING TO HONOLULU—SAILS THIS AFTERNOON FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The S. S. China arrived this forenoon from the Orient, a day behind her usual steaming time. The vessel left Yokohama on December 14, but owing to the fact that a heavy snow storm came up before she got out of the bay the warships stationed at the harbor did not pilot the vessel out until the next morning. She had to lie at anchor for 16 hours in Yokohama Bay as Captain Friele did not dare attempt to go out of the harbor without a naval pilot, for fear of the mines. The vessel ran into rough weather from the start and was detained coming across or she would otherwise have arrived yesterday.

The vessel has a good sized crowd of passengers going to San Francisco and brought seven passengers for this port. She is discharging about 400 tons of freight at Honolulu.

Among the through passengers are C. Lacy Goodrich, the purser, E. J. Roberts, freight clerk, Dr. M. P. Crooks

and Mrs. Clark, the stewardess, who were attached to the S. S. America Maru when that vessel was withdrawn recently from naval service, they were ordered home. The Nippon Maru has been attached to Admiral Kaminura's flying squadron and the America Maru is to replace the Nippon in the service near Japan.

Frank Clarkin and Alexander Graham-Simpson are war correspondents who have been attached to the Japanese army in Manchuria.

Lieutenant Colonel Bruce is a British military man.

J. G. Kidston is a British diplomat who has been attached to the legation at Peking.

Dr. G. M. Mayers is from the American navy. He is going home.

Captain I. G. Hetzman who stops at Honolulu, is a German naval officer.

The China will sail at 5 p. m. today from the Channel wharf for San Francisco.

## IWALANI AT MIDWAY

STEAMER ARRIVES OFF CABLE STATION LAST NIGHT—WEATHER TOO ROUGH FOR HER TO WORK.

The steamer Iwalani, Captain Piltz, arrived off Midway last night from Honolulu. The vessel left this port last Saturday, so made a very good run down. The cable people stated that a strong northwest wind was prevailing so the vessel was lying to the eastward of Midway for shelter. She will not attempt to land any supplies until after the weather subsides, as she has to work from the west side of Midway.

## SOLACE CARRIES NO WIRELESS

APPARATUS WAS TAKEN FROM VESSEL AND TRANSFERRED TO BATTLESHIP OHIO.

There was a very good reason for the local wireless stations not getting any word from the Naval transport Solace. The vessel had no wireless apparatus this trip so her approach to this island from San Francisco could not have been announced by the wireless system. The vessel arrived off the port this morning from the Coast en route to the Asiatic station. The wireless apparatus formerly on the vessel had been removed and installed on the battleship Ohio just before the Solace departed.

The Solace left San Francisco December 17 the same day that the Siberia did. The Naval vessel had however, to make two stops. The air pump was out of order and some repairs were necessary to be made made to it. Nothing was sighted during the voyage. Some rough kona weather was experienced a day and a half before reaching the islands.

The Solace has some passengers for Guam and Cavite but none for Honolulu. She is making a hurry trip this time as she has to be back in San Francisco in time to sail again by March 1. No reason for the hurry is given. The vessel began loading 550 tons of coal. She will sail at 11 a. m. next Tuesday for Guam, Cavite and the Asiatic Station.

The following is the list of officers and passengers of the vessel: Commander J. H. Bull, U. S. N., Commanding Officer; Lieutenant-Commander J. J. Knapp, U. S. N., Executive Officer; Lieutenant C. N. Offley, U. S. N., Engineer Officer; Lieutenant T. T. Craven, U. S. N., Navigating Officer; Surgeon F. P. B. Cordeiro, U. S. N., Medical Officer; Asst. Paymaster W. C. Flite, U. S. N., Pay Officer; First Lieutenant R. B. Sullivan, U. S. N., Marine Officer; Chief Boatswain D. Glynn, U. S. N.; Mate, J. L. Eekstrom, U. S. N.; Pay Clerk T. A. Stetson, U. S. N. Officers for temporary duty: Surgeon A. R. Alfred, U. S. N., to Cavite Naval Station; Bortswain A. H. Heuson, U. S. N., Report to Cavite; Acting Gunner E. Kellenberger, U. S. N., Report to Cavite; Pharmacist C. McLarty, U. S. N., to Yokohama, Japan, civilian passengers: H. B. Purwell, for Guam; F. C. Seibert, for Cavite; W. S. Lambert, for Guam; Rev. H. E. B. Case, for Guam; Y. Saito for Cavite; Mrs. H. G. Leopold, transportation to Cavite; Mrs. M. E. Brooks and two small children to Guam; Mrs. H. B. Farwell, to Guam; Mrs. H. E. B. Case, to Guam; Mrs. J. M. Holmes, to Guam; Mrs. R. E. Ames and infant to Cavite.

## VENTURA SAILED LATE

VESSEL WILL NOT ARRIVE FROM SAN FRANCISCO UNTIL THURSDAY OF NEXT WEEK.

The S. S. Ventura sailed thirty hours late from San Francisco. Instead of getting away Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock she sailed last night at 10 o'clock. She was probably detained waiting for the arrival of the British-Colonial mails from New York. The news of her delay was received in a cablegram to the Marine Exchange last night. The vessel will not arrive here until Thursday afternoon.

## "NO QUIBBLES, GO TO WORK"

GOVERNOR CARTER SENDS A STRAIGHT TALK MESSAGE TO CONTRACTORS FOR ASYLUM.

"Quit quibbling and let us know whether you are going ahead or not" was the tenor of a letter sent yesterday evening by Governor Carter in answer to the legal representatives of the American-Hawaiian Construction Company whose trouble over the Asylum contract has been causing so much comment lately.

The letter was in answer to one by the company asking if the letter of the Governor recently published was a re-opening of the whole discussion. If it was to be so considered, the company said, the Governor might refer to their former letters to get an answer to all that he had asked.

"I referred to their letters" said the Governor this morning "and they contained no answer to the points on which I wrote. The matter is not one for legal quibbles, we simply want to know if the company intends to go ahead on the contract that it has undertaken to perform."

"I understand that the bondsmen, J. W. Mason of Hilo and A. N. Campbell of the Waterhouse Company, are beginning to take an interest in the situation," continued the Governor. "Their attorney Mr. Thurston called on me yesterday and we had a discussion about it."

Another caller on the Governor today in connection with the Asylum contract was Aheong who had a minor contract. He complained that after he had finished his work in one place he was required to put in some extra mauling, that he had been required to paint a ceiling which was not mentioned in the contract and that he had been prevented from putting in certain concrete blocks which he had made.

It was found that the mauling complained of was mentioned in the detail to which reference had been made in the contract, that the ceiling had been painted under the clause compelling a "workmanlike" job and that the concrete had only been refused because the contractor was on his own showing getting his rock from a quarry where the material was too soft.

OAHU PRISON PROGRAM. Very neat programs for the Christmas services at Oahu Prison tomorrow have been issued. The programs are written in ink by one of the prisoners. \*\*\*\*\* Mrs. Colin McLarty and young son to Cavite.

## Alfonso Nearly Killed

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

MADRID, Dec. 24.—King Alfonso narrowly escaped death today in an automobile accident.

## JAPANESE VICTORY

Washington, December 24, 1904. To the Japanese Consul General, Honolulu.

Port Arthur army reports that our detachment on the right occupied the hill to the east of Hoyangshukuo. Thereupon the enemy made a fierce attack but was repulsed by us and our occupation is now nearly assured. This hill is situated 1 1/2 miles to the south of the 203 metres hill. The bombardment of our heavy guns caused a great conflagration in the North Fort of Hsiang-jungshao.

TAKAHIRA.

## TWO RUSSIAN GENERALS FALL

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Japanese army besieging Port Arthur has captured the Houyan Shikon Heights after a desperate fight. General Kondratneko was killed and General Fock wounded during the fighting.

General Kondratneko is a major general commanding the 7th East Siberian Rifle Brigade.

General Fock is major general, commander of the 4th East Siberian Rifle Brigade and is second in command to Stoessel.

GREEK CABINET HAS RESIGNED.

ATHENS, Dec. 24.—The Greek cabinet has resigned as the result of the defeat of the government's general policy.

BRITISH ORDERED FROM FEZ.

TANGIER, Dec. 24.—The British subjects have been instructed to leave Fez owing to the unsettled conditions at that place.

## CARTER ON OFFICE HOLDERS

GOVERNOR CARTER DEFINES HIS POSITION ON THE QUESTION WITH THE GREATEST ACCURACY—HE WRITES HIS VIEWS TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND PERMITS THEM TO BE PUBLISHED.

Governor Carter announced yesterday that he had written to the Republican Central Committee giving his views on the much discussed question of whether or not Government officials should hold office in the precinct clubs. He had no objection to his views being made public if the Central Committee had none. Chairman Robertson apparently had no objection to the publication of the letter. It runs as follows:

Executive Chamber, Honolulu, Hawaii, Dec. 24, 1904. A. G. M. Robertson, Chairman, Republican Territorial Central Committee. Dear Sir:—A great deal has been said in the press of and concerning the advisability of Government officials holding office in the precinct clubs, and being members of the various working committees of the party. I think it only right that my position in relation to this question should be made known.

I am not conscious of ever having asked an official to seek such a position, or intimated to anyone that such was my desire. These officials who hold such positions received the distinction and honor at the hands of their constituents in the regular course of selection made under the rules of the party. And as I have had nothing to do with their securing such positions, I see no reason for my taking any part in their removal.

I do feel, however, that if there is any danger of office holders predominating in a majority of these committees, and thereby preventing an open and free expression of the party voters in directing the policies of the party, or the selection of its candidates, the strength and stability of the party is certainly in peril. Honest elections and a free expression of the will of the people are absolutely essential to a government by the people, and no party can stand for any length of time which attempts to reverse the principles underlying this doctrine.

On the other hand, those of you who direct and control the party will not succeed if you allow your authority to be used by any individual or clique, or if you fail to have the party show appreciation of meritorious service.

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